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SUBJ: INACCURATE PRESS ACCOUNTS CONCERNING U.S. AID PROGRAM ON
WEST BANK

REF: TEL AVIV 2429

1. HA'ARETZ APRIL 11 CARRIED STORY POLITICAL SOURCES
IN MFA REPORTED STATE DEPARTMENT (SIC) HAD ESTABLISHED
\$3 MILLION AID PROGRAM FOR WEST BANK THIS YEAR.

2. STORY REPORTED \$1 MILLION WOULD GO TO BIR ZEIT
UNIVERSITY, \$750 THOUSAND FOR CHARITY AND SOCIAL
WORK AND \$1.25 MILLION FOR VARIOUS OTHER ACTIVITIES.

3. PAPER SAYS STATE DEPARTMENT HAS ALWAYS SUPPORTED
SUCH ACITIVITIES IN THE WEST BANK BUT THERE IS A
SUBSTANTIAL INCREASE IN THIS YEAR'S BUDGET. CONGEN
HAS BEEN APPOINTED FOR CONTACTS WITH EAST JERUSALEM
AND WEST BANK RESIDENTS AND AN INTENSITY IN RECENT
CONTACTS HAS BEEN NOTICED WITH A VIEW TO BOLSTERING
U.S. RELATIONS WITH WEST BANKERS.

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4. HA'ARETZ STORY FRONT PAGED BY ARABIC PRESS
APRIL 12 WITH AL QUDS SIMPLY REPORTING
\$1 MILLION TO BIR ZEIT AND AL FARJ SEEING
SINISTER AIMS.

5. AS TO BE EXPECTED, BIR ZEIT ADMINISTRATION

UPSET AND WE HAVE EXPLAINED NEITHER HA'ARETZ
NOR ARABIC PRESS CHECKED STORY WITH EMBASSY OR
CONGEN.

6. COMMENT: THIS IS SECOND TIME RECENTLY
UNHELPFUL STORIES ABOUT US AID ACTIVITIES
ON THE WEST BANK HAVE APPEARED IN PRESS. ACCORDING TO MFA
(REFTEL) IT WAS NOT THE SOURCE OF LEAK ON ANERA, BUT IT
IS CLEARLY IDENTIFIED AS THE SOURCE OF HA'ARETZ
STORY OF APRIL 11. END COMMENT.

7. WE WILL SEE AL QUDS ABU ZULUF APRIL 12 AND
IN LOW KEY FASHION MAKE FOLLOWING POINTS:
OVERALL AMOUNT BEING REQUESTED IS CORRECT; NO
FUNDS BEING REQUESTED FOR BIR ZEIT UNIVERSITY;
PROGRAMS ADMINISTERED BY PRIVATE VOLUNTARY AGENCIES
AND CONGEN HAS NO OPERATING ROLE.

8. IN OUR VIEW, THERE IS NO USE APPROACHING AL FAJR.
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